#### PLEASE NOTE:

 $Effective \ 1/1/2007 \ there \ are \ newly \ enhanced \ children's \ programming \ and \ commercial \ requirements$ 

Effective 1/6/2007 BABAR and VEGGIE TALES switch time periods

Effective 1/6/07 Weather Plus University moves to Saturdays and Sundays at 1pm, 3pm and 5pm ET.

#### Dear Affiliate Partner:

To assist you in complying with the reporting requirements for children's television and the requirement that stations air "core" children's programming, we are providing you with episode-specific descriptions (for QUBO Kids on NBC) as set forth in the attached Community Relations Quarterly Children's Programming Report for 4th quarter 2006. The report includes information to help prepare FCC Form 398. Please note that we have not included the specific dates and times for each of the programs as that may be station-specific.

This report is divided into the following categories:

- 1. Sample FCC 398 form for those stations airing NBC Weather Plus children's educational and informational programming
- 2. Educational Objectives: QUBO for both the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2006 and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2007.
- 3. <u>Core programming</u>: Regularly scheduled programming furnished by the NBC Network that is specifically designed to serve the educational and informational needs of children 16 and under. Please note that the age target for QUBO programming on NBC is 4-8 years old. Each of these programs is identified on-air as educational and informational with the "E/I" icon, and is similarly identified to the national listing services. To assist stations with the preemption report section of the new FCC Form 398, we have added specific episode numbers.
- 4. <u>Other programming</u>: Programming furnished by the NBC Network that contributes to the educational and informational needs of children 16 and under, but is not specifically designed to meet the educational and informational needs of children.
- 5. Public service announcements targeted to children 16 and under.
- 6. <u>Non-broadcast efforts</u> that enhance the educational and informational value of NBC Network programming to children.
- 7. <u>Network on-air promotional efforts</u>, which include a schedule of QUBO programming on NBC on-air promos.

The regularly-scheduled children's programming and promotional content furnished to you by the NBC Network during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2006 complied with the commercial limits of the Children's Television Act, provided that you broadcast and distributed such programming as furnished to you by NBC, and did not add any promotional or advertising content there to other than as directed by NBC via weekly postings on APT.

If you have any questions about these reporting requirements, please feel free to call us.

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Weather Plus University airs Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1p and 3p ET. Effective 1/6/07 Weather Plus University moves to Saturdays and Sundays at 1pm, 3pm and 5pm ET.

NBC Weather Plus Children's Programming and FCC Form 398

Stations that are airing NBC Weather Plus's children's educational and informational programming likely will want to note that programming on the station's Form 398. To our knowledge, stations are not able to file a separate form for their analog and digital programming. Accordingly, we are instructing GE-owned NBC stations to use the following format for the following questions on FCC Form 398 for 4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2006

For Question 2, insert the average number of hours of Core Programming aired weekly over the quarter, not including any Weather Plus programming

For Question 5, list each of the programs in the QUBO programming block as usual.

For Question 6, in addition to any other children's programming that may be aired by the station, add the Weather Plus U. programming in the following manner:

Title of Program #1		Origination					
Weather Plus U. (Digital Multicast Only)		NBC Weather Plus Network (digital)					
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Days/Times Program	Total Times Aired at	Number of	If preempted,	complete Preemption			
Regularly Scheduled	Regularly Scheduled Time	Preemptions	Report				
M 1:00 p.m.	13	0					
Length of Program: 30 (minutes)							
Age of Target Child Audience: from 13 to 16 years							
Describe the educational and informational objective of the program and how it meets the definition							
of Core Programming.							
Weather Plus U., a program available on the Station's digital multicast "NBC Weather Plus" channel, Each episode is an entertaining combination of taped vignettes and timely segments relating to current weather events, with targeted topics geared toward teens aged 13 and older. The segments include regular features like "Weather in the News," "Weather Plus on Location," "Weather Plus Experiments," "Weather Plus in the Classroom" and "Weather Plus Interacts." Together, the segments highlight how and why the weather changes and how forecasters try to predict the weather, the nature and scope of significant weather events, and how teens can better understand or react to weather, both in their hometown and around the world.							
Does the program have educating and informing children ages 16 and under as a significant x_YesNo purpose?							
If Yes, does the licensee iden C.F.R. Section 73.673?	x_YesNo						
If Yes, does the licensee prov the target child audience, to p 73.673?	x_YesNo						

Title of Program #2:		Origination				
Weather Plus U. (Digital Multicast Only)		NBC Weather Plus Network (digital)				
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Days/Times Program	Total Times Aired at Regularly	Number of	If preemp	oted, complete		
Regularly Scheduled	Scheduled Time	Preemptions	Preemptio	on Report		
M 3:00 p.m.	13	0				
Length of Program: 30 (min	utes)					
Age of Target Child Audienc	e: from 13 to 16 years					
Describe the educational	l and informational objective of	f the program ar	nd how it:	meets the definition		
of Core Programming.	•					
Weather Plus U., a program available on the Station's digital multicast "NBC Weather Plus" channel, offers teenagers a closer look at the weather and earth sciences and how they can and do affect their lives. Each episode is an entertaining combination of taped vignettes and timely segments relating to current weather events, with targeted topics geared toward teens aged 13 and older. The segments include regular features like "Weather in the News," "Weather Plus on Location," "Weather Plus Experiments," "Weather Plus in the Classroom" and "Weather Plus Interacts." Together, the segments highlight how and why the weather changes and how forecasters try to predict the weather, the nature and scope of significant weather events, and how teens can better understand or react to weather, both in their hometown and around the world.						
Does the program have educating and informing children ages 16 and under as a significant purpose?			ificant	x_YesNo		
If Yes, does the licensee identify each program at the beginning of it's airing consistent with 47 C.F.R. Section 73.673?				x_YesNo		
	ride information regarding the progra			x_YesNo		
the target child audience, to publishers of program guides consistent with 47 C.F.R. Section						
73.673?						

And so on -- each of the six half-hour weekly episodes of "Weather Plus U." may want to be separately listed on the report (albeit each may have the same description) in order to facilitate any possible preemptions or schedule changes in the future.

In response to Question 7, which asks about the station's planned children's core E/I programming for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, these "Weather Plus U." descriptors also may be added as Programs #7-#12 (after the QUBO block)

Finally, in response to Question 11, stations may want to add the following sentence, in addition to any other station response:

The Station was delighted to begin offering additional children's educational programming during core hours as part of its NBC Weather Plus programming on a digital multicast channel. To limit confusion, this programming is described in response to Question 6, although it may also be considered in response to Question 5.

#### **EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES**

## For 4th Quarter 2006

In compliance with the Children's Television regulations that became effective January 2, 1997, the QUBO Programming Block on NBC programs feature an on-air icon indicating that each program is "educational and informational" for children. This icon is displayed at the beginning of each broadcast. Also, in compliance with the regulations, the following document, which includes "educational and informational" objectives of QUBO on NBC, must be placed in your public file.

Each of the programs listed below, which make up the QUBO Programming block, is specifically designed to serve the "educational and informational" needs of children ages 4-8. All of the programs have educational objectives that are central to the content and appropriate to the program genre.

There are six returning shows from last quarter, which premiered on the **QUBO Programming Block on NBC**. All shows were developed specifically for a target audience composed of children 4-8 years of age. Four of the shows are book-based series. Each show contains an important social-emotional message for the target audience delivered through an animated narrative format.

"<u>VeggieTales</u>" is a children's series featuring animated vegetables who teach life lessons through stories. Hosted by Bob the Tomato and Larry the Cucumber, each episode begins by establishing the problem, uses short stories to parallel the situation with a problem and solution, and ends by reiterating the proposed solution and the life lesson learned through the experience. The show communicates social-emotional messages based upon the core values of honesty, kindness, forgiveness, and appreciation for all, using music, unusual characters, and allegorical storylines.

Inspired by children's everyday life, "<u>Dragon</u>" is an animated show that is based on the book series by author and illustrator, Dav Pilkey. The show follows a little blue dragon as he faces his daily challenges. Using a simple and direct approach to life, Dragon learns new information and develops new skills primarily through trial and error. Dragon is friendly and helpful, but he tends to see things from a much different perspective and sometimes that leads to trouble. As each story unfolds, we learn to see things in different ways, much like Dragon, and we learn how to problem-solve our way through everyday challenges. Dragon shows us how to take care of a pet, discover new places or how to find the right hobby.

3-2-1 Penguins! and Larryboy Stories draws upon characters from two stories -- using both long- and short-form material involving these characters -- to provide socio-emotional messages to children. 3-2-1 PENGUINS! features two children – Jason and Michelle – whose vacation at their grandmother's cottage ends up being more adventure than they expect when their toy spaceship with four toy penguins comes to life. The children are sucked into the spaceship, where they meet the now live penguins and journey through space to solve an inter-galactic disaster threatening the penguins and their friends. Each story begins with a problem and ends after the children have learned an important socio-emotional message through their adventure with the penguins. LARRYBOY STORIES is about a young cucumber-janitor named Larry from the Daily Bumble who assumes a superhero persona to fight crimes and save lives, bringing peace and safety to the small town of Bumblyburg. In doing so, Larry takes us through his adventures where he and his viewers learn core values of honesty, friendship, respect for others, forgiveness, and love for all through socio-emotional messages embedded within the story.

Based on the books by Laurent de Brunhoff, "Babar" is an animated show about a young orphaned elephant who finds the strength to rise above the challenges he faces, including the death of his parents, as he journeys through life. Each episode of the show develops a social-emotional message such as taking responsibility, being patient and persistent in hard work, respecting people's privacy, learning to cope with unforeseen changes, and being honest. These messages emerge from the need to resolve a dilemma that is faced by Babar, one of his friends or family members.

Set in medieval times, "Jane and the Dragon" is an animated show that hails from Martin Baynton's best selling books about a middle class, 13-year-old girl named Jane. She is raised in the Royal Court as a Knight-in-Training after she demonstrates her courage by leaving the castle to conquer the local dragon. The giant green Dragon, whose sense of humor exceeds his ferocity, instead becomes Jane's best friend and a part of the castle community. In each episode, Jane encounters a challenge that tests her problem-solving skills and requires her to demonstrate her strength of character, as a Knight of the King's Guard. Sometimes Jane learns a moral lesson, and other times she uses analytical ability to illustrate how a problem can be made less complicated and easily solved.

Based on Mordecai Richler's books, "Jacob Two-Two" is an animated show about the challenges of a little boy, the youngest of five siblings. Jacob is so small for his age he often repeats himself just so he can be heard. His parents are compassionate, but his siblings are not, and Jacob has to be resourceful and inventive in learning how to assert himself, overcome his fears, get along with others, and still enjoy his childhood. He manages to turn even the most inconsequential events into adventures with his friends, Buford and Renee. Every adventure teaches him a life lesson, from learning how to be responsible to figuring out how to manage a bully. In addition, there are implicit lessons that promote a love for learning and language development usually conveyed through Jacob's father, a full-time writer.

## For 1st Quarter 2007

There are no new shows for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. All six shows continuing next quarter premiered during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter on the **QUBO Programming Block on NBC**. All shows were developed specifically for a target audience composed of children 4-8 years of age. Four of the shows are book-based series. Each show contains an important social-emotional message for the target audience delivered through an animated narrative format.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Show Summaries:

**VEGGIETALES**, narrated by animated veggies, Bob the Tomato and Larry the Cucumber, teach life lessons through wit and humor. Each episode contains one or two short animated stories that illustrate core values to children in an entertaining way. Stories are interrupted with silly songs, usually sung by Larry the Cucumber, that contain whacky lyrics in a catchy tune. Each episode ends with Bob and Larry reinforcing the lesson learned through the stories.

<u>DRAGON</u> is a cheerful, lovable and insatiably curious blue dragon who lives in a colorful little house and welcomes all his friends and anyone else who needs comfort or advice. Every day Dragon faces a new situation that needs to be solved, and he does it in his unique Dragon-like way. If he can't get it right the first time, he keeps trying until he does. With each story, we find a new way to learn simple life skills through Dragon and his friends, Cat, Ostrich, Beaver, Alligator, and Mail Mouse.

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**BABAR** is a young elephant who returns to the jungle where he builds the city of Celesteville and is crowned King of the Elephants. A dedicated ruler and family-elephant, Babar experiences many challenges as he journeys through life, and learns to rise above them through strength and optimism. Each episode begins with a look into Babar's present life, primarily in his role as a father who teaches his children the value of people, things and relationships through his own experience from the jungle to the city. Each episode in the show carries with it a social-emotional message that is established at the end of Babar's story.

JANE AND THE DRAGON is a coming of age story about a middle-class, medieval girl who lives in the Royal Court with her family. As an only child, Jane is raised to be a Lady-in-Waiting but through her determination and a stroke of luck, she ends up being trained as a Knight in the King's Guard. Accompanied by her best friend, a giant green Dragon that lives in her backyard, Jane experiences a series of adventures that test her character and her skills as a young knight in a castle full of friends and foes. Each episode in the show takes us through the problems and challenges Jane encounters and the process she goes through to find the solutions for them.

JACOB TWO-TWO is a very little boy with a very big heart. As the youngest member of a large family, Jacob has to say things twice so he can be heard. He looks up to his siblings, but tends to be ignored or bullied by them when he tries to partake in their activities. Still, there are those who notice him when he inadvertently lands himself in adventures that involve mysterious neighbors, international spies, and villains that come in all shapes and sizes. Often accompanied by his closest pals, Buford and Renee, Jacob Two-Two finds innovative ways to get in and out of hot water as he tumbles through a series of exciting adventures with honesty, integrity and a whole lot of determination.

## Children's Programming Commercial Limitations:

The following is a list of the amount of commercials allowed into KOMU-TV children's programming. The programs are formatted so that additional commercial time cannot fall into the programs deemed educational and informational. Formats are reviewed on an annual basis.

Wild About Animals	3:30
Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures	5:00
Critter Gitters	3:00

The NBC/QUBO Kids programs which are designated as educational and informational allow 1:00 of local advertising time. These programs are:

Veggie Tales Dragon 3-2-1 Penguins/Larry Boy Stories Barbar Jane & The Dragon Jacob Two-Two

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## **CERTIFICATION**

#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

This is to certify that KOMU-TV, as a standard practice, formats all of its children's programming for children 16 and under, or for children 12 and under, including programs provided through the network (NBC) and syndicated programs acquired by KOMU-TV, so that all such programming fully complies with the statutory limits of commercial content.

Date:

Date. 1/11

Programs designated for children 16 and under:

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Dragon
3-2-1 Penguins/Larry Boy Stories
Barbar
Jane & The Dragon
Jacob Two-Two
Wild About Animals
Critter Gitters
Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures

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# WEB ADDRESS CERTIFICATION

#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

This is to certify that KOMU-TV, as a standard practice, does not locally display web site addresses during or adjacent to children's programming for children 16 and under, or for children 12 and under, including programs provided through the network and syndicated programs acquired by KOMU-TV. If website information is provided, it is integrated into the program at the direction of the children's program producer.

Date: 1 4 07